

ORDER NO. 08-04-16-419

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

CHEROKEE NATIONAL FOREST

Emergency Closure Order for Fires

Pursuant to 36 CFR, Section 261.50 (a), it is hereby ordered that the prohibition hereinafter set forth apply to the entire Cherokee National Forest, located in 10 counties in East Tennessee shown on the attached map.

1. Building, maintaining, attending or using a fire, charcoal, or stove fire inside or outside developed recreation sites. **36 CFR 261.52(a)**
2. Smoking, except within an enclosed vehicle or building, or developed recreation site, or while stopped in an area at least three (3) feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable material. **36 CFR 261.52(d)**


THE USE OF PORTABLE LATERNS, STOVES, OR HEATING EQUIPMENT THAT UTILIZE GAS, OR PRESSURIZED LIQUID FUEL IS ALLOWED.

The above-prohibited act is set forth in Title 36 C.F.R. Section 261.52.

Pursuant to 36 CFR, Section 261.50 (e), the following persons or areas are exempt from this Order:

1. Persons with a special use permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission, issued by the District Ranger.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.

Executed in Cleveland, Tennessee, this 11 day of November, 2016.


Detrick JaSal Morris
Forest Supervisor
Cherokee National Forest

Order expires 90 days from date of signature

Violation of these prohibitions set forth above is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for an individual and \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both. See 16 U.S.C. 551, 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571.

